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The following items were adopted at the August 5, 1999, Commission meeting and released later that day.

NEWS RELEASES

FCC REVISES LOCAL TELEVISION OWNERSHIP RULES - MM DOCKET NO. 91-221 AND 87-8 (REPORT NO. MM 99-8). The FCC today revised its local market television ownership rules- the "TV duopoly" rule and the radio-television cross ownership (or "one-to-market") rule to reflect changes in the media marketplace. Action by the Commission August 5, 1999 by Report and Order (FCC 99-209). Adopted: August 5, 1999. News Media Contact: David Fiske (202) 418-0500. MMB Contact: Eric Bash at (202) 418-2600. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/News_Releases/1999/nrmm9019.html

FCC REVISES RULES FOR CALCULATING AUDIENCE UNDER NATIONAL TELEVISION OWNERSHIP RULE - MM DOCKET NOS. 96-222, 91-221, 87-8 (REPORT NO. MM 99-9). The FCC revised its national TV ownership rule to clarify that no market will be counted more than once when calculating whether a group station owner complies with the rules 35% aggregate national audience reach limit. Action by the Commission August 5, 1999, by Report and Order (FCC 99-208). Adopted: August 5, 1999. News Media Contact: David Fiske (202) 418-0500. MMB Contact: Paul Gordon at (202) 418-2130. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/News_Releases/1999/nrmm9018.html

FCC TO EXPLORE WAYS TO EXTEND TERRESTRIAL AND SATELLITE WIRELESS SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS LIVING ON TRIBAL LANDS - WT DOCKET NO. 99-23 (REPORT NO. 99-266). In an NPRM, the FCC began exploring a number of possible terrestrial and satellite wireless policy initiatives to promote greater access to telecommunications services for individuals living on tribal lands. Action by the Commission August 5, 1999, by NPRM (FCC 99-205). Adopted: August 5, 1999. News Media Contact: Meribeth McCarrick (202) 418-0654. WTB Contact: Joel Taubenblatt at (202) 418-1513; TTY: (202) 418-7233. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/News_Releases/1999/nrwl9031.html

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The following items are dated for and released on August 6, 1999:

NEWS RELEASES

FCC FILINGS. OPA. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Filings/fl990806.html>

FCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS. OPA. Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Calendar/cl990806.html>

OPEN PROCEEDINGS. OPA Contact: Martha Contee, Public Service Division at (202) 418-0190; TTY: (202) 418-2555. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Open_Proceedings/op990806.html

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: August 6, 1999. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG - AUGUST 5. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/Tariffs/combined/tt080599.pdf

Report No: NCD-307. Released: August 6, 1999. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU NETWORK CHANGE NOTIFICATION RE: NETWORK CHANGE CERTIFICATION RECEIVED. Contact: Ms. Ginny Kennedy, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2328.

Report No: NCD-306. Released: August 6, 1999. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU NETWORK CHANGE NOTIFICATION RE: NETWORK CHANGE SHORT TERM CERTIFICATION RECEIVED. Contact: Ms. Ginny Kennedy, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2328.

Report No: NCD-308. Released: August 6, 1999. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU NETWORK CHANGE NOTIFICATION RE: NETWORK CHANGE SHORT TERM CERTIFICATION RECEIVED. Contact: Ms. Ginny Kennedy, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2328.

Report No: NCD-309. Released: August 6, 1999. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU NETWORK CHANGE NOTIFICATION RE: NETWORK CHANGE SHORT TERM CERTIFICATION RECEIVED. Contact: Ms. Ginny Kennedy, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2328.

Report No: NCD-310. Released: August 6, 1999. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU NETWORK CHANGE NOTIFICATION RE: NETWORK CHANGE SHORT TERM CERTIFICATION RECEIVED. Contact: Ms. Ginny Kennedy, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2328.

Report No: NCD-311. Released: August 6, 1999. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU NETWORK CHANGE NOTIFICATION RE: NETWORK CHANGE SHORT TERM CERTIFICATION RECEIVED. Contact: Ms. Ginny Kennedy, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2328.

Report No: TEL-00122S. Released: August 6, 1999. STREAMLINED SECTION 214 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING.

Report No: 44545. Released: August 6, 1999. BROADCAST ACTIONS. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Actions/ac990806.txt

Report No: 24545. Released: August 6, 1999. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Applications/ap990806.txt

Released: August 6, 1999. PUBLIC SAFETY NATIONAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE. Three Subcommittees meet on September 23 in Lansing, Michigan. (DA No. 99-1472). Contact: Michael J. Wilhelm, Designated Federal Officer of the Public Safety Ntn. Coord. Committee at (202) 418-0680.

Released: August 6, 1999. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU GRANTS CONSENT TO ASSIGN OR TRANSFER F BLOCK BROADBAND PCS LICENSES AND 900 MHZ SMR LICENSES. (DA No. 99-1559). Contact: Rita Cookmeyer or Rachel Kazan (financing/loans) at (202) 418-0660; all other

information call David Judelsohn at (202) 418-7240. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1999/da991559.wp

TEXTS

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS ENTERTAINMENT I, L.P. Dismissed Petition for Reconsideration of DA 94-1144 re: Charter Communications Entertainment I, L.P.'s cable programming services tier rates. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: August 5, 1999. by Or. on Rec. (DA No. 99-1556). CSB Internet URL:
<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1999/da991556.wp>

UNITED COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, LICENSEE, STATION WWNY-TV, CARTHAGE, NY. Issued Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture for \$17,500 against United Communciations Corp, licensee of Station WWNY-TV, Carthage, NY, for apparent repeated violations of the Commission's rule limiting the amount of commercial matter that may be aired during children's programming. Found the licensee qualified to remain a Commission licensee and granted, subject to conditions, license renewal application for WWNY-TV. Action by Bureau Chief. Adopted: August 4, 1999. by NAL for Forf. (DA No. 99-1546). MMB Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Orders/1999/da991546.wp

KCIT ACQUISITION COMPANY, LICENSEE OF TELEVISION STATION KCIT(TV), AMARILLO, TX AND BSP BROADCASTING, INC., LICENSEE OF TELEVISION STATION KJTL-TV, WICHITA FALLS, TX. Denied the Joint Petition for Reconsideration filed by KCIT Acquisition Company and BSP Broadcasting, Inc. and affirmed the forfeitures of KCIT of \$15,000 and BSP of \$15,000 for apparent repeated violation of the Commission's Rules limiting the amount of commercial material that may be aired during children's programming. Action by Bureau Chief. Adopted: August 4, 1999. by MO&O. (DA No. 99-1545). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Orders/1999/da991545.wp

ADDENDA: The following items, released August 5, 1999, did not appear in Digest No. 149:

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: August 5, 1999. COMMENTS INVITED ON DEPRECIATION RATE PRESCRIPTION PROPOSED FOR GTE NORTH-OHIO AND GTE SOUTH-VIRGINIA. The Common Carrier Bureau invites comments on proposed depreciation rates for two GTE companies - GTE North-Ohio and GTE South-Virginia. comments due September 7; replies September 21. (DA No. 99-1553). Contact: Stephen Steckler, Accounting Safeguards Division at (202) 418-0865. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1999/da991553.wp

Released: August 5, 1999. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU ACTS ON REMAINING INTRALATA TOLL DIALING PARITY PLANS FILED BY LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS - CC DOCKET NO. 96-98. (DA No. 99-1554). Contact: Gregory Cooke, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2351 or Robin Smolen, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2353. Internet URL:
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1999/da991554.wp

Released: August 5, 1999. COMMENT SOUGHT ON THE SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE REQUESTS FOR LIMITED MODIFICATION OF LATA BOUNDARIES TO PROVIDE EXPANDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE BETWEEN VARIOUS EXCHANGES IN TEXAS. On July 14, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company filed five petitions requesting modification of local access transport area boundaries to provide two-way, non-optional flat-rated expanded local calling service between various exchanges in Texas.

Comments due August 19; replies August 26. Contact: Alan Thomas or Al McCloud, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2320; TTY: (202) 418-0484. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1999/pncc9021.wp

Released: August 5, 1999. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL'S PETITION FOR DELEGATION OF ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT AREA CODE CONSERVATION MEASURES - PLEADING CUCLE ESTABLISHED. On July 28, the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control filed a peittion requesting authority to implement various number conservation measures. Comments due September 6; replies September 20. (DA No. 99-1555). Contact: Jared Carlson, Network Services Division at (202) 418-2320. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1999/da991555.wp

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GLOBAL NAPS SOUTH, INC. Denied Global NAPS South, Inc.'s (GNAPs) petition for preemption of jurisdiction of the Virginia State Corporation Commission with respect to an arbitration proceeding involving GNAPs and Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc. Dkt No.: CC- 99-198. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: August 5, 1999. by MO&O. (DA No. 99-1552). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Orders/1999/da991552.txt

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LOCAL COMPETITION PROVISIONS OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996. Adopted Protective Order, effective upon its release, in this proceeding. Dkt No.: CC- 96-98. Action by Chief, Policy and Program Planning Division. Adopted: August 5, 1999. by Prot. Ord. (DA No. 99-1536). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Orders/1999/da991536.txt

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SUBSCRIBER CARRIER SELECTION CHANGES PROVISIONS OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996- PRIMUS TELECOMMUNICATIONS GROUP, INC. PETITION FOR WAIVER. Granted Primus Telecommunications Group a limited waiver of the authorizaiton and verification requirements of the Commission's rules and Carrier Change Orders to enable Primus to become the preferred carrier of thsoe consumers currently presubxcribed to Telegroup, Inc. Dkt No.: CC- 94-129. Action by Deputy Bureau Chief. Adopted: August 5, 1999. by Order. (DA No. 99-1550). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Orders/1999/da991550.wp

IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 309(J) OF THE COMMUNICATIONS ACT- COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR COMMERCIAL BROADCAST AND INSTRUCTIONAL TELEVISION FIXED SERVICE LICENSES. Addressed additional refinement to the attribution standards to be utilized in determining the eligibility of broadcast auction applicants for the new entrant bidding credit and other attribution issues - all relating to competitive bidding for commercial broadcast and instructional television fixed service licenses. Dkt No.: MM- 97-234. Action by the Commission. Adopted: August 4, 1999. by MO&O. (FCC No. 99-201). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Orders/1999/fcc99201.wp

COLUMBIA CAPITAL CORPORATION. Dismissed as moot Columbia Capital Corporation's Application for Review seeking to set aside a Public Notice released by the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau on May 29,1998, which announced the procedures and filing deadlines for Auction No. 18, the Phase II 220 MHz Service auction. Adopted: August 4, 1999. (FCC No. 99-202). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1999/fcc99202.wp>

TRICO MARINE OPERATORS, INC. Denied Trico Marine Operators, Inc.'s request for exemption from Section 80.1095 of the Commission's Rules implementing the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System. Action by Chief, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division. Adopted: August 3, 1999. by Order. (DA No. 99-1539). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1999/da991539.wp>

REPLACEMENT OF PART 90 BY PART 88 AND EXAMINATION EXCLUSIVITY AND FREQUENCY ASSIGNMENT POLICIES OF THE PRIVATE LAND MOBILE SERVICES. Granted MRFAC Inc.'s and Forest Industries Telecommunications' request that the Commission stay the effective date of recent amendments to Sections 90.35 and 91.175 of the Commission's Rules. The stay will be in effect until the Commission resolves their Petitions for Reconsideration of the Second Memorandum and Order in this proceeding. Dkt No.: PR- 92-235. Action by the Commission. Adopted: August 4, 1999. by MO&O. (FCC No. 99-203). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1999/fcc99203.wp>